

GIRLS WITH THE KNIFE.

Fair Hands and Faces Around a Dissecting Table in a Women's College.

Industriously Striving to Master the Mysteries of Surgery and Medical Practice.

Human Bones Kept by the Students as Mementoes of the Old Days Spent in College.

A half score of blooming young lady students with long Mother Hubbard aprons stretching from their necks to their dainty feet, and large silk handkerchiefs tied about their heads like turbans, stood last night around a large marble-top table in one of the third-story front rooms of the Women's Medical College, on North College avenue, says the Philadelphia Record. On the operating table, for such it was, lay a corpse of a woman with her glass-like eyes wide open and her face contorted in the expression of despair.

The ten gentle "sawbones" who encircled the table ranged in years from eighteen to thirty, and a deathlike silence pervaded the room. Bending well over the table, and so close together that their turbaned heads touched, they were eagerly working over the lifeless body, their nimble fingers moving back and forth as if they were picking out nuggets of gold.

At the head of the corpse a chubby-checked maiden, plump and short, with her hair done up in Pompadour style, and a beautiful opal ring on the left third finger, gazed long and hard at the ghastly features trying to locate the various muscles about the face and head. There was not a sign of emotion or fear on the faces of the ten fair young disciples of Esculapius. An intense earnestness and curiosity possessed all the budding physicians, and they went at their work with such expedition as to prove that they were in for business. In their left hands the girls all had pinners or forceps and with a scalpel in the right hand they cut boldly into the skin of the corpse. Muscles were grasped with the forceps and held high in the air. All the material surrounding them was removed until the muscles resembled a string of sausage.

When this was done, the lady demonstrator, Dr. Elizabeth R. Bunting, who had been silently and critically inspecting the work of the dissection, approached the head of the corpse and, rapping on the marble top of the table with a pair of pinners, exclaimed:

"Class will please come to order."

The lady demonstrator then questioned each of the students about the work. As she seized each of the muscles, sinews, arteries and nerves, Dr. Bunting asked: "What is this? What is its function?"

The glib tongues of the young ladies told the Latin names of the different parts and defined their functions without hesitation. Finally when the lady demonstrator approached one of the students, a bright-eyed young miss, there was a titter all around the room. Of the ten students this young lady had been the only one to betray the slightest emotion during the dissection. She had gone about her work tremulously and frequently a big lump rose in her throat.

"Miss L.," said the demonstrator, seizing hold of the pectoralis major, "please tell me what muscle this is and what are its functions."

The young lady tearfully nodded her head and was given permission to leave the room. "She'll brace up by and by," remarked a pretty dimple-check student to a companion.

Dr. Bunting then took her position at the head of the corpse and said: "The class will please pay attention to what will be done now."

Dr. Bunting proceeded to make a couple of incisions in the throat, and pointed out the difference between laryngotomy and tracheotomy, as the demonstrator picked out each of the muscles and explained them in many joints, Latin terms, which the young ladies had to take in sections.

At the close of the lecture Dr. Bunting, with a broad smile on her face, announced: "Girls, we have at present twenty corpses on hand. This will enable us to do considerable dissecting before Christmas."

The news was hailed with clapping of hands and strange expressions of satisfaction. With beaming faces the girls made straight for the body which they had been dissecting. Each one got some of the bones, and wrapping them in pieces of cloth, hastened to their rooms.

When the lady demonstrator was questioned concerning the appropriation of the bones by the girls, she said:

"Oh, that's what the students always do after they have dissected a body. They take the bones, dry them and keep them as mementoes of the old days in college. It is a very good scheme, and the girls are proud of the old bones. Girls, after they get a little experience, do not mind handling dead bodies. It is a manly sentiment that ladies cannot be good surgeons and physicians. I am confident that the time is fast approaching when the ladies will be delegated certain delicate surgical operations which they are only fitted to dexterously perform."

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Petroleum opened steady at 10 1/2, moved up to 11 1/4, then reacted and closed steady at 11 1/4.
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